

**HEALDSBURG ROTARY SUNRISE CLUB  
KRUG EVENT CENTER  
MEETING SUMMARY**

**DATE:           Wednesday, 9 December 2015**

**ATTENDANCE:       30/46           65.22%**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

Sean Shields led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance while Philippe Hobson held the flag.

**ROTARY MOMENT/INSPIRATION:**

Philippe Hobson, a very busy person, provided 2 items for inspiration:

*To the American people: Christmas is not a time or a season by the state of mind. To cherish peace and goodwill, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas. If we think on these things, there will be born us a Savior and over us will shine a star sending its gleam of hope to the world.*

Calvin Coolidge, Presidential message, December 25, 1927

*The main reason Santa is so jolly is because he knows where all the bad girls live.*

George Carlin

**SINGING:**

Assisted by Sarah Preston and Philippe Hobson, Doug Pile led the group in singing *Frosty the Snowman*

**GUESTS:**

1.       Erin Dunn, District Governor, District 5130
2.       Nita Parker, Noon Club, introducing Erin Dunn

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1.       Archie Julian's FUN committee is encouraging members to **wear Christmas attire** to our final meeting of the year, 16 December 2015. Please see the attached flyer for suggestions.
2.       Pam Everson reports that the **Presents Project** is receiving gifts now. Those members who have signed up to provide a gift should bring them to our next meeting or definitely get them to Pam, at her office on Healdsburg Avenue, by the end of next week. The presents should be wrapped.
3.       George Lawson reports that there will be a **Wonder League** planning meeting immediately following this meeting. He also wishes to contribute happy dollars to celebrate the willingness of member, Vince Dougherty, to be co-Commissioner with George.
4.       Reports that a chorus of Rotarians will be **singing at the Healdsburg Senior Living Ctr., Grove Street on Thursday, 17 December, starting at 5 PM.** Patrick Llrena, our chorus leader in past years, will be present to direct us. She also reports

that she is bringing a load of gifts and other items to victims of the **Valley Fire** in Middletown today. She thanks all members for their participation and is grateful for our community in being able to offer such a show of support for the Valley Fire victims.

5. Shaun Shields reminded members of the ***Change for Change*** boxes. At this time of the year being generous to help boost our contributions to end polio would be most beneficial.

#### **RECOGNITIONS:**

**Will Seppi** made a contribution on his daughter's second birthday. This added to the polio plus fund.

**Herb Liberman** gave a nutshell summary of his macadamia nut business in Kenya, and was particularly happy to report that his nuts are now in the cookies at Subway. Eat your heart out Euell Gibbons.

**Philippe Hobson** is happy that his son is playing in his first REIBT basketball tournament. He is also happy to report that although not an official member of the HRFC (Healdsburg Rotary Fat Club) he has lost over 35 pounds and has made a contribution to the sunrise foundation to celebrate that event.

#### **RA FFLE:**

**Tim Preston** was the holder of the winning ticket that was drawn for the raffle. He must not have known the large amount of money that was in the pot, or he would have tried harder at guessing the random number that had been previously selected by Pres. Lee between 46 and 50.

#### **PROGRAM:**

Nita Parker from the noon Club introduced **Erin Dunn, District Governor**. Erin is a former President of the Fortuna Club. She is the CEO of the Chamber of Commerce in Fortuna. Graduated from the University of Oregon. She had worked for over 20 years as a theatrical press agent throughout the country including New York. She enjoys exploring Rotary and learning all of the wonderful things that it does throughout the world. She has had worldwide involvement with Rotary in India and in Uganda.

She opened her presentation with the slogan from current Rotary International president Ravi Ravindran – **Be A Gift To The World**. She then reviewed the activities of the Rotary Club of Healdsburg Sunrise that were presented to her last evening in a meeting with the officers and Board of Directors and truly believes that we are a gift to our community and to the world.

Erin loves Rotary because it offers her a chance to **join with leaders, exchange ideas and take actions**. These are the functions of a successful Rotary Club and they encourage us to continue along the path that we are currently taking.

Erin has done a great deal of **exploring Rotary** during her many years of involvement. She has recently participated in exchange programs in India and in

Uganda. She loves finding out the various ways that Rotary works at local, national and international levels to bring about improved conditions for the people of the world. She encourages all active Rotarians to explore the **Rotary International website** to find out more about how they may be involved in these activities.

She encourages members to **become involved with District activities** including international projects and working with interact and rule direct clubs. There will be a **district conference on May 6-8, 2016 in Napa**. There's an outstanding program planned which will focus on vocational services, mentoring, and how we can leverage our personal experience into educating and helping youth.

She drew members' attention to the **International Convention** to be held in Seoul Korea in 2016. Those members who have attended can attest to the vibrancy that comes from being in the same location with so many Rotarians from around the world.

Aaron ended her program with presenting her "**Shining Star Award**" to members that were felt to be important to the club. The criteria for this award were quite fuzzy and I think they may have come about after plying Lee with a couple of drinks. Terry Tremblay and Doug Pile received this award for the services that they provide to the club. In keeping with the fuzzy criteria for the award, the photograph, which was taken by a substitute photographer, was blurred.

Erin was given an enthusiastic round of applause for her energizing presentation, exhorting us to be better Rotarians.

Appended at the end of this document are two flyers outlining the **Rotary district conference in May** and the **presentation by Rotary International president Ravi Ravindran to be held on Sunday, 3 January 2016** in San Jose. Also included are the suggestions for our Christmas best presentation that will be held at our next meeting.

**NEXT MEETING:**

**Wednesday, 16 December 2015**

**Scallericio Fuscald, Head Basketball Coach, Sonoma State University**

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Pile, Club Secretary



## **Wear Your Christmas Best**

(Items that are seldom seen in public)

Wednesday December 16, 2015 our club is sponsoring Wear Your Christmas Best Day. Prizes will be awarded for most unique, classiest, slickest, and many more.

Judging starts when you arrive by our esteemed panel: Pam, Bob and Lance who will select those wearing clothing that best fits many prize categories. Pam has promised to increase the bounty with Rotary Swag.

Those who wish to unduly influence our judges with bribes and or other inducements should do so discretely. Anyone caught cheating will be held to the 3 way test and if found guilty will be severely punished appropriately, i.e. wet noodles lashing, wrist slapping with a sponge, etc.

Come sporting your best Christmas socks, tie, sweater, pants, etc. Have a good time. Compare yours with your fellow Rotarians outfit. This is a unique opportunity to wear truly unique (not ugly) clothing, impress fellow Rotarians with your unique taste (and or bravery to wear it).

Bartering with fellow club member to gain ownership of their unique clothing is allowed. Please be discrete.

Items for this event are available at Amazon including but not limited to :



Your Fun Committee



# Rotary

District 5130



**MAY 6-8, 2016**  
**NAPA, CALIFORNIA**

**SPECIAL GUEST STARS**



MARILYN FITZGERALD, AUTHOR  
"If I Had a Water Buffalo"



STEPHANIE DRACHKOVITCH,  
CO-FOUNDER & PRESIDENT  
44 Blue Productions  
(producer of "Wahlburgers"  
and many more)

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\$179 FOR NEXT 40 ROOMS

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- COMPLIMENTARY COCKTAIL RECEPTION SATURDAY EVENING

**SPECIAL CINCO DE MAYO PARTY**  
**THURSDAY NIGHT FOR PEOPLE ARRIVING EARLY!**



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K.R. Ravindran | 2015-16 RI President  
Tea Bag Packaging | Rotary Club of Colombo

## SAVE *the* DATE

*for an incredible evening with  
2015-2016 Rotary International President  
K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran*

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 3, 2016  
SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA**

### **SUNDAY EVENING, JANUARY 3RD (BUSINESS ATTIRE)**

*DoubleTree hotel in San Jose, California*

*5:00PM – Reception with Ravi & Past Rotary International Presidents*

*6:15PM – Dinner*

### **DETAILS**

Club tables seat 10 (\$800)

Seating preference will be in the order tables are purchased

Discounted hotel rooms available (\$99/night)

Opportunity for Club members to interact with the current Rotary  
International President and three past Rotary International Presidents:

*MAT Caparas | Cliff Dochterman | Rick King*

### **MORE INFO**

<http://tinyurl.com/pkyd8pd>

### **REGISTRATION**

<http://tinyurl.com/qayhq5k>